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Sir:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 CFR §1.55, applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on the following foreign applications filed in Japan:

Application No. 11-019431, filed January 28, 1999

Application No. 11-160539, filed June 8, 1999

Certified copies of these two foreign applications were filed January 28, 2000 in prior, parent Application Serial No. 09/493,080, filed January 28, 2000.

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